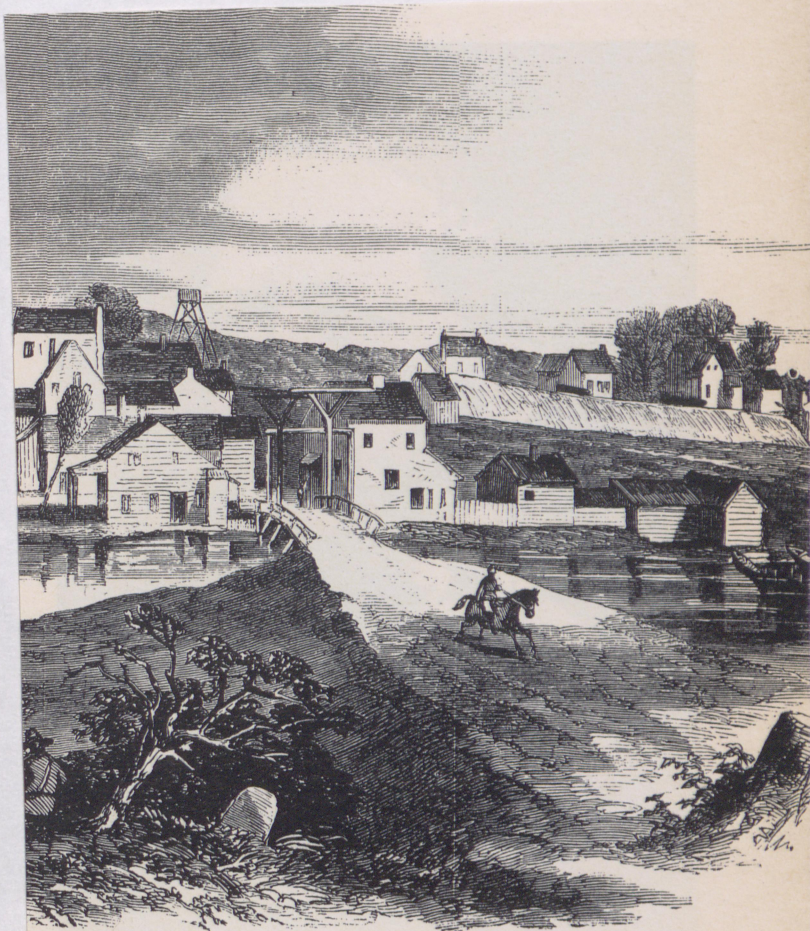




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such raid. These fears appeared to be justified in February 1863 when IX Corps, with which Burnside had occupied the coast of North Carolina the year before, suddenly boarded transports and arrived at Newport News. This Union base on Hampton Roads had been used as a staging area for most of the expeditions launched against the periphery of the South, including the attack on New Orleans.